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 Provide an information brief of current and future shelter initiatives focused at the tactical and expeditionary level within the Marine Corps

- Issues not being addressed:
 - In-depth details about each new initiative

Mission



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To serve as the Commandant's principal agent for acquisition and sustainment of systems and equipment used by the Operating Forces to accomplish their war fighting mission.





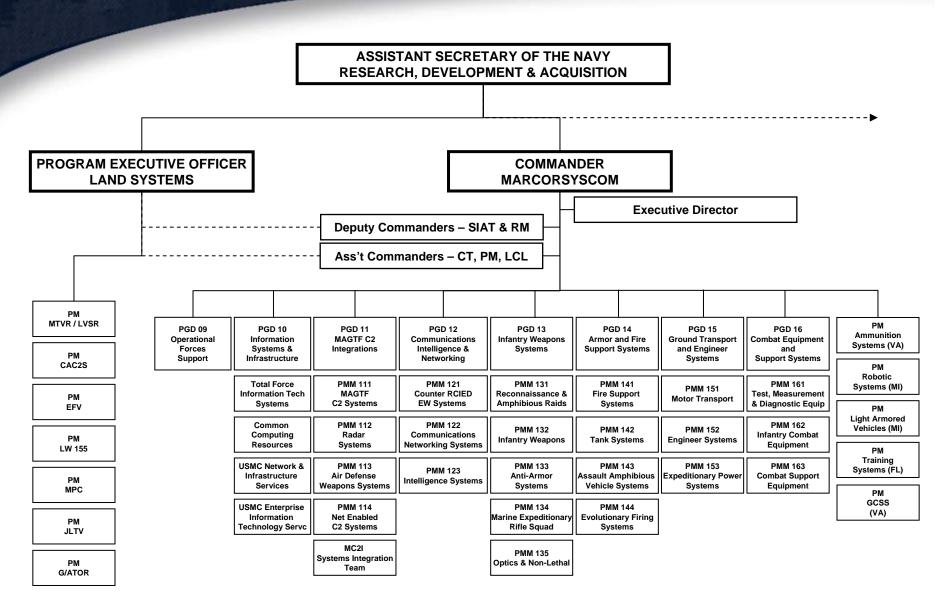




MCSC & PEO Relationship



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Team Mission Statement



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Provide the material solutions (including: rigid wall shelters, soft wall shelters, collective protection, camouflage and respective supporting equipment) to protect the operating forces from observation, environments and combat hazards.

- 1. Change contracting policies to include the fully burdened cost of fuel and energy costs to be used as criteria.
- 2. Green Carrier Strike Group conducts local operations by 2012, and sail the Great Green Fleet by 2016.
- 3. By 2015, reduce commercial vehicle petroleum use by 50% (biofuels, flex fuels, electric vehicles).
- 4. By 2020, 50% of shore energy will be provided by alternative sources.
- 5. By 2020, 50% of total energy consumption will be from alternative sources. (Currently using 17 percent renewable energy)

USMC Energy Out-takes



- 13 August 2009: USMC Energy Summit
 - Create an USMC Energy Efficiency Office
 - Go to OEF AOR to get initial assessment
- 30 September 2009: Concurrence for establishment of <u>Marine Corps</u> <u>Expeditionary Energy Policy Office</u> as CMC Special Staff Division
 - Mission is to: ... analyze, develop, and direct the Marine Corps' energy strategy in order to optimize expeditionary capabilities across all warfighting functions.
- Sep: USMC Energy Team conducts assessment in OEF AOR
- Oct: Naval Energy Forum
- 2010 Planned USMC Energy Symposium with industry
- 2010 Planned follow-up OEF Energy Assessment

Tent Enhancements



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Liners

• Tent Liners in next generation tents for improved insulation

Foaming

- Foam application to tents in theater
 - Applied in OIF
 - Environmental and safety issues have halted foaming in OEF

Solar Panels

- Solar panel overlay for energy collection under evaluation
- Evaluations underway by USMC, Army, and USAF
- Included in NetZero JCTD





Conclusions



- No near term silver bullets can provide significant efficiency gains
- Potential near-term opportunities to Lighten the Load / increase Force Protection
 - Camp design and planning
 - Tactical Water Purification / Lightweight Water Purification Systems
 - Rechargeable batteries vice one-time use batteries
- Continued emphasis on R&D (mid-term) and S&T (far term) for future capabilities



Communication Electronics Equipment Maintenance Complex

- Communication Electronics
 Equipment Maintenance Complex
 - 12 Work Stations
 - R&D Composites EMI







 Re-compete of current Combat Tent with DSCP

- Evaluate the feasibility of reducing to 5.5 lbs
 - Maintain durability
 - Minimal cost impact





- Replacing the current 1950 legacy 10 Man Arctic Tent
 - Squad size Tent (13 Man)
 - Objective 300 sq ft/61 lbs
 - Request for Proposal anticipated 3rd Q FY210





Anticipated release of new RFP unknown





- Two-sided net (Woodland & Desert)
 - Using ULCANS specification
 - Standard ULCANS test protocols
 - Testing begins during 3rdQ 2010





Total asset visibility of equipment

• Minimize "Maverick" shelters within the Marine Corps

Reduce total number of shelters required



Questions



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